

## **Application of Criteria for Pima County Bond Project Proposals**

Directions: The Pima County Bond Advisory Committee adopted criteria for project inclusion. For each resubmitted and new bond project proposal, please answer how the project meets the criteria below. If certain criteria do not apply to the project, please answer not applicable. The total response for each project should be no longer than two pages in Arial size 11 font. Please do not submit exhibits or attachments.

### **Project Name: Economic Development That Moves Families Out of Poverty: A Facility to House the JobPath Program**

1. **Broad Demonstrated Support by Public:** JobPath has public support from Pima County Interfaith Council's 30 member congregations and allies which represent over 40,000 families. In addition, there are over 1,300 JobPath graduates, 200 participants and families that are strong supporters. A coalition that other groups have already endorsed this project. These groups include the Coalition for Sonoran Desert Preservation, the Pima County Housing Commission and over 40 neighborhood associations. Pima Community College and a number of non-profit social service agencies will also support this center. PCIC and members of this coalition will be actively seeking the support of other community institutions and allies for this project in the coming year.
2. **Has Regional Public Benefit:** JobPath serves all of Pima County. It has recruited and sponsored participants from distant parts of the county such as Benson, Sahuarita, Three Points, Marana and Catalina as well as all of the metro area. A highly visible, centralized location with increased classroom/training space will allow for increased community participation both from program participants and volunteers.
3. **Partnerships:** Partners include Pima Community College, Pima County One Stop, Pima County Interfaith Council, Pima County Libraries, Pima Community College Adult Education, the Pima Community College Foundation, and the YWCA.
4. **Other Funding Sources or Matches:** JobPath receives funding from individuals, corporations and foundations, as well as public sources. JobPath has raised sufficient funds to maintain a balanced budget for over 15 years.
5. **Education and Workforce Training:** JobPath sponsors unemployed and underemployed low income adult residents of Pima County in long-term education and job training opportunities. JobPath works with employers in our community to identify career areas where there is a current or projected demand for skilled workers. The JobPath sponsored careers pay a living wage, have benefits and offer opportunity for advancement. JobPath education/job training sponsorship includes: case management, financial assistance, peer support and supportive services. Over 90 percent of participants finish training successfully and 80 percent are placed in living wage jobs. JobPath creates a significant economic impact on the Tucson community as graduates are able to achieve self-sufficiency.

6. Advances Board Adopted Principles of Sustainability and Conservation: The JobPath Center will be built to LEEDS standards with solar energy generation incorporated to the extent that the budget will allow.
7. Previously Authorized Large-scale Bond Projects or Programs that are Now Short of Funding: Non applicable
8. Phasing of Large Projects: Not Applicable
9. Impact on Operating and Maintenance Costs for Governments and Commitment to Fund These Ongoing Costs: JobPath will increase its operating budgets through dollars raised from individuals, foundations and corporations to cover the maintenance and operation costs of the building.
10. Project or Program is a Capital Improvement, Not a Repair or Maintenance Project: This project is a new capital improvement.